

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated November 19, 2007. Claims 10 to 13, 17, and 18 are in the application, with Claims 10 and 13 being independent. Claim 15 has been cancelled without prejudice, and Claims 10 to 13 have been amended herein. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

Claims 10 to 12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. The rejection is respectfully traversed and is submitted to have been obviated by the amendments made to these claims.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication that Claim 15 contains allowable subject matter. In keeping with this indication, Claims 10 and 13 have been amended to contain the feature recited by Claim 15, which in turn has been cancelled. Accordingly, Claims 10 to 13, 17, and 18 are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Claims 10 to 13, 17, and 18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over U.S. Publication No. 2002/0006623 (Bradley). The foregoing actions have been taken without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter, and without conceding the correctness of the rejections, and strictly to obtain an earlier allowance.

The application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

No fees are believed due; however, should it be determined that additional fees are required, the Director is hereby authorized to charge such fees and any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

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Respectfully submitted,

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